

Applicants request entry of the above amendments that address the following objections set forth in the Office Action dated March 12, 2004.

The drawings were objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a) because the limitation "streamlined control elements comprising an element that is raised above a surface of the recessed area," as per claims 5, 23 and 24 was not shown. Applicants submit that this limitation is clearly supported in new FIGS. 5A-5C submitted herewith and further supported by the description at page 6, lines 17-24 of the present specification.

The drawings were also objected under 37 CFR 1.83(b) because they do not include a showing of respective heights of the slider surfaces. Applicants submit that new FIGS. 5A-5C illustrate the respective heights of the slider services recited in the claims.

The line quality and clarity of the drawings was also objected to. Applicants submit that the photo quality of original FIGS. 2-16 and the formal drawings of FIGS. 1, 5A, 5B, and 5C provide sufficient clarity and line quality to meet the Patent Office drawing standards.

FIGS. 2-4 and 11-13 have been amended to include the legend "Prior Art".

In view of the above, Applicants request entry of these amendments and the formal drawings.

Respectfully submitted,

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